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STRIKE Teachers ordered back to the classrooms

by Dan Singleton and Theresa Smith

A three week strike by more than 600 teachers in Chinook's Edge school division - job action that left 11,000 students outside classes for three weeks - came to an abrupt end Thursday when the Klein government declared a provincial emergency and forced educators back to schools.

Students and teachers in the division returned to classes on Monday morning.

However, the Alberta Teachers Association (ATA) has plans to launch court action to try to have the emergency edict thrown out - if the order is declared unlawful, the teachers could be back on the streets hours later.

"Teachers and their professional association have always respected and acted within the law. Until these orders are tested in law, we are asking our members to return to classrooms. The onus is on the government to prove that an emergency exists in each case," ATA president Larry Booi said.

The teachers may launch a work-to-rule campaign, including withholding all volunteer services, he said.

"Any further participation in departmental activities, including marking of diploma exams, would not proceed," he said.

Chinook's Edge division includes schools in Sundre, Olds, Didsbury and Carstairs. Teachers in the division began a strike on Feb. 4, six days after the last classes were held on Jan. 30.

Talks in Chinook's Edge ended without settlement on Feb. 16. Eight previous meetings dating from last fall have also failed to bridge gaps between the sides on issues such as wages, classroom sizes and teacher recruitment.

More than 300,000 students in 22 school divisions were out of classes when the province declared the emergency.

Chinook's Edge board spokesman and trustee Ian Taylor said he was pleased the strikers are heading back to classes.

"I'm just delighted that students will be back in classes and teachers will be teaching," said Taylor. "We were as a board getting particularly concerned about our Grade 12 students."

The board is expected to meet on Monday to discuss the latest developments. Asked if the board is concerned about possible back-to-work campaigns, Taylor replied, "I guess we'll cross that bridge when we come to it."

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photo by Richard Westlund

Steve Fillmore celebrates a Canadian goal during the men's hockey game with Belarus while he works out last week. The Olympic gold medals had the entire town of Didsbury, and all of Canada, celebrating on the weekend. See Page 18 for the complete story.

Didsbury residents will pay more for garbage collection

Didsbury residents will be paying more for their residential garbage collection starting April 1, 2002.

Previously residents were paying \$7.90 per month per single family dwelling and \$9.70 per month per unit for mul-

tiple dwellings.

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DOCTOR SHORTAGE

Didsbury the destination for South African doctor**Doctor comes to Canada in the search of a better life - will arrive in Didsbury in mid-March.****by Richard Westlund**

It has been a long journey, not without plenty of hard-made decisions, but Dr. Fredrik VanRooyen will soon arrive in Didsbury.

It took almost 10 years for the South African doctor to finally make the decision to go ahead with a move to Canada, after watching colleague after colleague make the move.

Dr. VanRooyen will be Didsbury's newest doctor and will arrive in Didsbury in the middle of March.

"It isn't a decision that can be made lightly - moving away from your home," said the 52-year-old. "We had to leave our family behind and country behind."

In the end it was giving his two daughters an opportunity to live in a country that would provide more opportunities to them and a safer lifestyle.

He said that political situations and crime make South Africa a less-than-safe place to live.

It came down to a decision between Australia and Canada, both are countries that readily accept South Africans for rural doctor positions, and VanRooyen said Canada was far and away his first choice.

"There is no place that is going to be perfect but Canada is awfully close," he said. "People have everything here. Everyone is happy, everyone has a house and a car and nothing standing in their way."

From South Africa, Van Rooyen was stationed at a practice on Fogo Island - off the coast of Newfoundland. It proved to be an isolated experience for him and his wife

and he jumped at the opportunity to move to a practice on Prince Edward Island in a small town called Souris - working with three other doctors.

He has been at his most recent practice for just a year and in Canada for two years. He said his move to PEI was a step up and he is expecting the same thing from Didsbury.

"I am moving to Didsbury because I think it is going to be a nice place. I like the mountains and the countryside and I like the fact that it is close to Calgary."

While he has never been in Didsbury in person, he likes everything he has heard about his new partners in Didsbury and cites that as being important in making a move like the one he is undertaking.

VanRooyen knows that a small town doctor will face a variety of challenges and says South African doctors have risen to the challenge because their work in their native

country provides experiences in dealing with tough situations.

As far as his choice in the medical profession VanRooyen has a philosophy about people being happy in their professions.

"Why I like being a doctor is not an easy question to answer. People should be interested in their jobs. They should find what they do interesting and challenging."

VanRooyen and his wife Franci, who has a bachelors degree in financing, are scheduled to arrive in Didsbury on March 11. Van Rooyen expects to start work at College Green Medical Centre on March 13 or 14.

Al Martin, CEO of Health Authority 5, said that he is glad Didsbury will finally receive the new doctor they have been waiting for.

"We are very pleased that our hard work has paid off and that we have secured a doctor for the Didsbury area."

"Why I like being a doctor is not an easy question to answer. People should be interested in their jobs. They should find what they do interesting and challenging."

- Dr. Fredrik VanRooyen,
Didsbury's newest doctor

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VISITATION RIGHTS

Local couple trying to start grandparent's rights group

by Richard Westlund

It has been over two years since Phyllis and Marcel Proulx have seen their grandchild.

They have taken the matter to court in hopes of being granted access, but were denied by the judge and unless an appeal is heard their circumstances may stay that way.

The process has left them frustrated and angry. But it has not deterred them from moving forward.

The Proulxs are currently trying to start a local group for grandparents that are in similar circumstances. Because their current ordeal has left them feeling alone they want to try and reach others so a support network can be put in place.

"From what I know there isn't a group like this in the area," said Phyllis, citing emotional support and a network of legal answers and advice as reasons for setting up a group.

After receiving the judgement on their bid for visitation rights, read at the Court of Queen's Bench in Calgary on Feb. 9, 2001, Phyllis posted it on a website she created because she "wanted people to know how stupid it was."

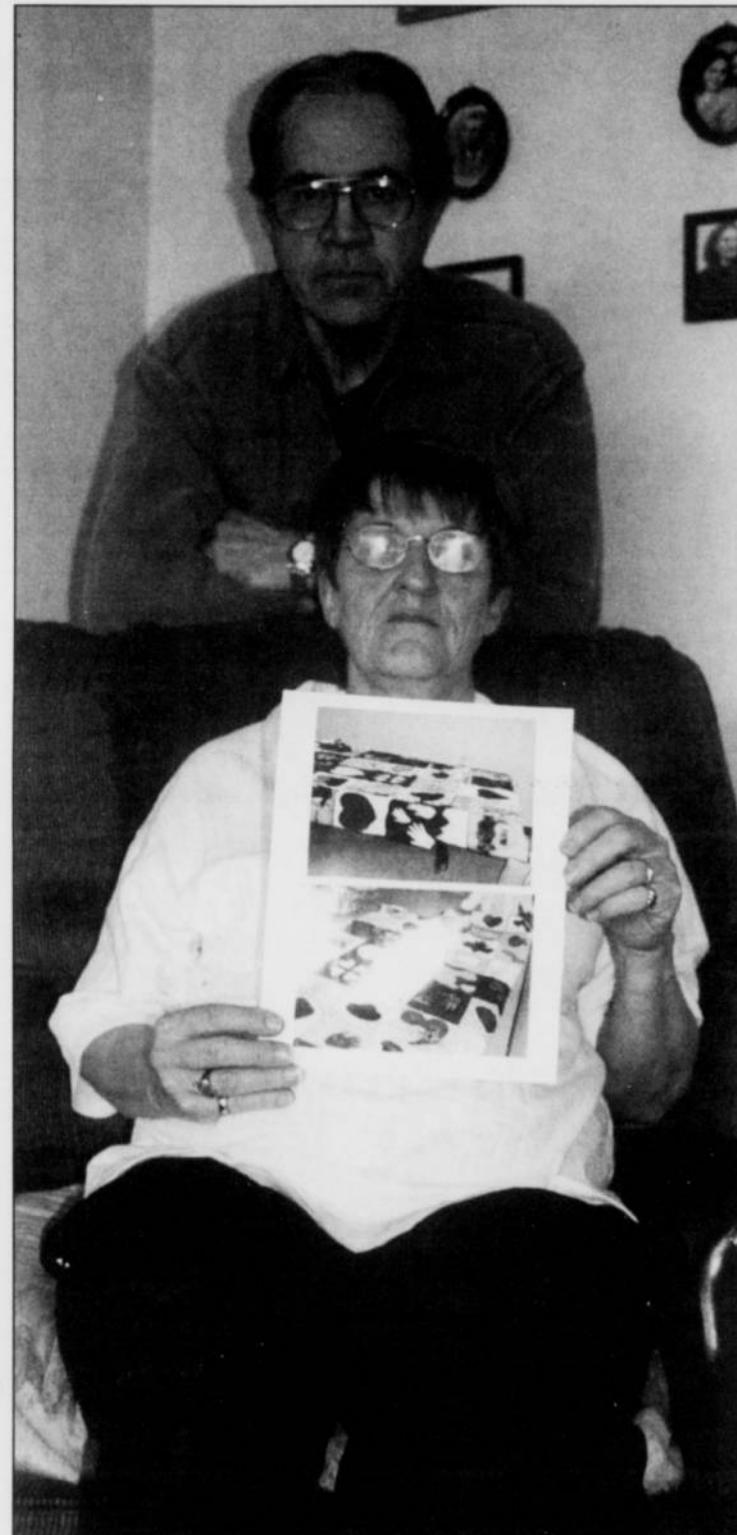
In the judgement the judge said it was a real loss for the grandchild not to be able to see the grandparents as many years had gone into the relationship. Visitation was denied because "the Child's day to day life before and after any court-ordered visits with Grandparents would be made too difficult by Mother (and husband)."

The judge encouraged the grandparents to look into their own hearts and recognize if they truly love the child they should step away and allow the family to function the best it can.

The Proulxs want to appeal the decision but they have yet to receive full transcripts of the Feb. 9 case, even though a year has now passed, which has left them even more frustrated. It is that frustration which has furthered their want for a support group.

Feedback to the website that was set up by Phyllis have let them know there are similar grandparents in similar situations.

The Proulxs had free



Marcel and Phyllis Proulx pose with a picture of the Hearts and Hands Quilt - an initiative to bring attention to the rights of grandparents who are fighting to see or have custody of their grandchildren.

and unscheduled access to the child based upon a mutual agreement with the grandchild's mother until access was completely terminated in November 1999, states the judges decision. According to court records the

Proulxs had the primary responsibility for the care of the child at different times including an approximate eight month period in 1991 and 92.

The fact that the Proulxs have been the primary caregivers to the

child has made it especially tough not to have visitation rights.

"It is so emotionally hard. I sometimes just hang up the phone and cry. It's hard. It's really hard. We were together for such a long time."

HOCKEY PROVINCIALS

Liaisons sought for provincials in Didsbury

by Richard Westlund

The organizational committee for the upcoming provincial bantam hockey championship to be held in Didsbury in March is looking for a few good citizens.

To help opposition teams feel more comfortable in Didsbury the committee is trying to set up liaisons to help players and their parents around town and help answer specific questions they may have. "We feel privileged to be hosting these provincial championships," said Steve Fillmore, one of the organizers of the event. "We want to ensure that everyone who participates in the event has a good time."

The liaisons will be available to the teams they are assigned, will answer questions, give directions and basically be ambassadors for the Town of Didsbury. Qualifications include being hospitable and loving the sport of hockey.

"Teams are going to have questions and want them to get answers. We are just looking for people that will be able to help on behalf of the Town and the Association."

Fillmore said having a liaison with a team further helps in promoting Didsbury.

"We are proud of our facilities and this is an opportunity to really showcase our town," said Fillmore. "We want everyone to see what we have to offer as a town."

Fillmore said that every couple of years Didsbury gets a tournament of this magnitude and he said it is a good opportunity for Didsbury Minor Hockey to fundraise.

"It is an opportunity to make some money to keep fees down and keep the association afloat."

In addition to collecting a nominal fee at the gate, and holding a silent auction with signed NHL memorabilia, Fillmore said businesses, the Town, service groups and the RCMP have all stepped forward and helped to sponsor the event.

"We are really appreciative of the support we have been getting from a variety of people," he said, adding that people wanting to sponsor the event are still welcome.

The tournament will consist of eight teams, seven of them zone champions. Didsbury played this weekend against Hanna for the local zone championship, but the team will be in the main event as the host team. Didsbury will play their first game on Friday March 8 at 10:30 a.m. The opening ceremonies will be held at 6 p.m. that night and Didsbury will play their second game following that event at 7 p.m. The last time Didsbury hosted a provincial event was in 1999 when the Midget B girls team played as the hosts.

Bylaw will further recognize agriculture

The Town of Didsbury has given first reading to a bylaw which will recognize the agricultural use of land within the Town on lands that have not yet been designated for urban land uses.

Following an amendment made by the provincial government which requires municipalities in their municipality development plan consider the protection of agricultural operations, the Town is ready to move to protect agricultural lands. Currently the Town's MDP recognizes agricultural use of land and supports continued use for agricultural purposes. The new bylaw states that the "Town supports and encourages the continued use of land for agricultural operations until such time as the land is needed/ or for urban purposes."

A public hearing has been set for March 6 at 6:30 p.m. for the public to give input on the matter.

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

Reason to celebrate



RICHARD WESTLUND
EDITORIAL

I look back over the past 10 years and wonder why everything is the way it is.

Why it seem like people in eastern Canada and people of the west can not agree on anything political or why people in Quebec want to separate from our great Country.

Constantly we wonder who we are as Canadians, and experts and cynics say that we define ourselves solely as being not-American.

And then an event happens and you wonder how much you thought you knew in the past to be true.

I wasn't alive when Paul Henderson scored to beat the Russian in the 1972 Summit Series.

When the Canadian men won the gold medal something special happened in our country. People ran out on to the street and celebrated in Vancouver, Calgary, Regina, Winnipeg, Ottawa, Montreal, Halifax and even Didsbury. And that is when the realization hits. We aren't that different after all.

We found a reason to be proud and we celebrated it together. For one day it didn't matter if we were a French Canadian or a prairie dweller. Men and women, young and old, came together and recognized that something special happened, and we all realized what it meant to be Canadian.

The gold medals are a fantastic accomplishment - something Canada has waited for. But the way Canadians came together showed a glimpse of what we are capable of as a country.

As a member of the younger generation this was a defining moment for me, a chance for reflection on what it means to be Canadian.

I am extremely proud that I was able to celebrate this victory for my country with people from coast to coast - people I don't know personally but people I have a bond with now.

I look at the goals in the game but I find that analysing the match is pointless. Something much larger than a game has transcended.

This was my Summit Series. I will tell my kids where I was at and what it meant to my country when Canada's hockey teams won double gold at the 2002 Winter Olympics.



REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATURE *Safer communities on agenda for Solicitor General*

Priority items to make communities safer were front and centre for Solicitor General Heather Forsyth as she met with the other federal, provincial and territorial justice ministers in Moncton, New Brunswick, February 13 and 14, 2002. At the meeting, Alberta expressed its strong support for any new measures put in place by the federal government to protect Canadians.

The Alberta government will continue to call on the federal government to ensure that police and prosecutors have the tools needed to protect innocent citizens and remind the federal government that its responsibility does not end with passing legislation to battle terrorism and organized crime. Our government remains concerned about the new federal Youth Criminal Justice Act, that it does not hold repeat and chronic offenders sufficiently responsible for their acts, and that youths sentenced as adult offenders should be held to the same parole eligibility requirements as adults.

Alberta has asked the federal government to amend the conditional sentencing provisions of the Criminal Code to ensure

that serious violent offences, serious sexual offences (especially sexual offences against children), and offences involving death or serious bodily harm such as cases involving an impaired driver, are not eligible for a conditional sentence. As well, Alberta continues to maintain the position that intermittent sentences should be abolished or should be optional at the discretion of the provinces.

Alberta led discussions at the meetings on enacting stricter guidelines for the use of conditional sentencing and abolishing preliminary inquiries. The need for an effective national sex offender registry was also raised by Solicitor General Heather Forsyth. Recent improvements to the Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) are welcomed by Alberta, but still fall short. As a true sex offender registry, CPIC must be able to identify the location of sex offenders when a child goes missing and provide police with an up-to-date picture and address. Most importantly, the federal government must introduce legislation requiring convicted sex offenders to register with po-

lice. Alberta continues to develop its own sex offender registry that can work with similar registries already established or planned in other provinces. On Wednesday, February 13, 2002, Alberta and Ontario signed an agreement in Moncton during the Federal-Provincial-Territorial Justice Ministers' meeting, to enable Alberta to use Ontario's sex offender registry software in Alberta.

Province Accents Plan for Capital Region Partnerships: Encourages Municipalities to Take Action

In December 1998, the Alberta government established the Alberta Capital Region Governance Review, with Lou Hyndman as chair, to consult with regional stakeholders and to develop broad recommendations on how Alberta's capital region municipalities can better address future opportunities through improved cooperation. The review involved 21 municipalities and other stakeholders including business and community representatives. In May 2001, the Chair submitted his final report to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Honourable Guy Boutilier.

Wonderings of the heart

"Stand Still"

by Margaret Fradley

We are all familiar with the phrase, "Don't just stand there, do something!"

How our society is geared up to "doing" - often when someone asks us how we are, we respond by saying "Oh, fine, but busy." We are often on overload; our calendars are full; we seem to be in demand or busy from morning until evening, and many of us become weary in body, mind and soul.

Recently I read where it would be wise to reword the above phrase to read, "Don't just do something, stand there!" We need to learn to take time to breathe deeply; to take time to smell the roses; time to listen to a friend who needs to share, time for the important things in life.

I think we would all experience times of refreshment if we stopped to listen to some quiet music; to rest; relax; laugh more, take time to read, love and pray more.



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FROM THE MAILBAG

Students concerned teachers strike will affect their future

Editor's note: The following letter arrived at the Review before teachers were sent back to work by the province. We are running it anyhow because the dispute is not over - the ATA is appealing the decision made by the province, and teachers still do not have a contract.

Dear Editor,

As a Grade 12 student of Carstairs Hugh Sutherland School, I have a major concern about the ongoing teacher strike. I look up to teachers, and believe that they are here to act like teachers, and not like children. From what I understand, it is a law for students to be in school, and learn.

The teachers union's actions are very distressing to me and some of my classmates, because some of us are planning to go to University, or College, in August. How are we going to make up the lost time, before the summer and Post Secondary Education begin?

I don't know any Grade 12 students, including myself, that would want to go to school an extra semester, just because the Local ATA won't settle for anything less than 13%. "I don't see why we should take any less..." (Quoted from the Mountain View County Newspaper, said by Bob Worsfold) Personally, I understand that \$30,000/year is not enough to really live on in the cities, but to demand a 13% increase, when you know that the money is tight, it is not possible. The Board may be keeping some money aside, but what happens when you want another raise in salaries, and our province is in debt?

My entire graduation class is looking forward to our

graduation ceremony, but now, just because of a strike, we could lose the chance of that, and our plans of going to Post Secondary School. Bob Worsfold states, "If kid's have to take an extra semester, work the next, and go to school the following year- it's not that big of a deal."

This is unacceptable. He isn't a student anymore, how does he know how it feels to have your teachers on strike and maybe miss the chance of going to Post Secondary School?

Some people can't afford to have that happen. Since Worsfold has a son in Grade 12, he should know that this causes major problems for his son's education, and future. Our division's motto is, "Where Students Come First," obviously, we don't. It seems that the salaries of the teachers are more important than the education of the students, who pay school fees, so the teachers can be paid. Most of the schools in the school division have exchange students, which makes it very difficult for them to understand Canada, and get educated already. They pay a lot of money to come here and have to go at a set time, and so may miss the end of the school term, all because the ATA won't settle for anything less than 13%. The student's best interests are not being looked out for; instead, they are being put to the bottom of the priority list.

The teaching profession is a business, just like farming, despite what the ATA negotiator says. The ATA and teacher's union need to realize that almost everything is like a business. The definition of business is: one's regular occupation, profession, or

trade. Teaching is a profession, and occupation, therefore, it is a business. How many teachers work 12 hours a day, 5 to 7 days a week? None to my knowledge. No teacher has had to work shift work in this occupation and at least you get weekends off, and get holidays at Christmas, Easter, every other Friday and 2 months of summer. Most people that are not teachers have to work more than 8 hours a day, and up to 7 days a week, why should teachers complain about the hours that they work? Sure, most teachers spend extra time marking papers and correspondence work, coach sports teams, and go to conventions, but that comes either with volunteering, or with the job.

Since the strike has gone on longer than 2 weeks, we now may have to cut out the arts programs (Music) and Physical Education. Some students are aspiring to be athletes, or musicians, are you going to cut their dreams short too? To shorten the times students have in those classes would be unfortunate.

I feel that the Board is doing as much as they can with the terms that the ATA is giving.

The ATA said they were striking because they wanted to decrease class sizes. When the board wants to use their funds to decrease class size and improve programs instead of giving the teachers a 13% increase for one year like the ATA wants, I have to

think that this strike is not about class size and helping students. It's about money. You have to remember that money isn't going to cut it if the students lose part of their education. It will not help them to postpone future plans because of the money problems that the teachers are having. If the strike is truly in the "best" interest of the students, then why are they the ones who get cut short in the end? No matter which way you look at it, students are going to be affected and are going to have to deal with the negative setbacks that this strike creates. The teachers will most likely end up with higher wages, and teaching will be easier on them. But

the grade 12 students, for the sake of making life easier for the teachers and for the money have been forced to put their lives on hold. Their future. Stop and think about it for one minute. This could put them back almost an entire year and some cannot afford for that to happen. This needs to be settled now. This childish behaviour of trying to bleed as much money out of the government as possible has to stop, to get us back to school.

Sincerely,
Erin Robertson
Grade 12 student in Carstairs, AB
Karyn Robertson
Grade 12 student in Calgary, AB

Keeping recycling centre was the right decision to make

To whom it concerns:

The Didsbury Lions Club thanks Didsbury Town Council for their efforts to retain the Recycle Centre in Didsbury. We have found that the work force currently employed at the centre has been doing a great job of baling the material and getting it to market. Unfortunately the cost of the baled material is often near or below the cost of shipping it to market. The wages the people earn then is often the diversionary credit supplied to us.

We wish to thank Councillors Kuelker and Penner for the efforts they have made on our behalf. Until they became involved in the process it seemed we were getting many conflicting bits of information which made it difficult for us to present a proposal which would benefit both the Town and our work force.

Yours in appreciation
Jim Adamchick
President

PUBLIC NOTICE



Town of Didsbury

Amendments to Municipal Development Plan By-Law 98-08

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of Didsbury has passed first reading of a By-law to amend the present Municipal Development Plan By-Law 98-08.

The purpose of the amendment is to amend the present Municipal Development Plan Section 10.0 General Policies, Subsection 10.1.0 Agriculture, Policy 10.1.1 in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, as amended, requiring that a municipality must, in their Municipal Development Plan, consider the protection of agriculture operations.

A public hearing prior to second and third reading of the proposed By-law will be held March 6, 2002, commencing at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2037-19 Avenue.

The hearing will be conducted under the chairmanship of the Mayor, or her designated person, for the purpose of hearing opinions and comments and/or objections to the proposed By-law.

The style of the hearing will be informal and persons wishing to speak will be requested to state their name and address for the record upon being recognized by the Chairman. Opportunities to speak will not be restricted, but recognition to speak will be at the discretion of the Chairman. Written responses will also be accepted up until 12:00 noon March 6, 2002.

The public may inspect a copy of the proposed Municipal Development Plan amendments at the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2038-19 Avenue, during regular office hours 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Robert Wigg
Planning and Development Officer

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TOWN OF DIDSBURY PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Regular Council: March 6, 2002
- Corporate Services: March 12, 2002
- MPC: March 20, 2002
- Community Services: March 26, 2002

NOTICE

Dog tags are free until Feb. 28/02. Come in to the Town Office & register your pet!

A Meet the Taxpayer meeting has been scheduled for March 4, 2002 from 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers

NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

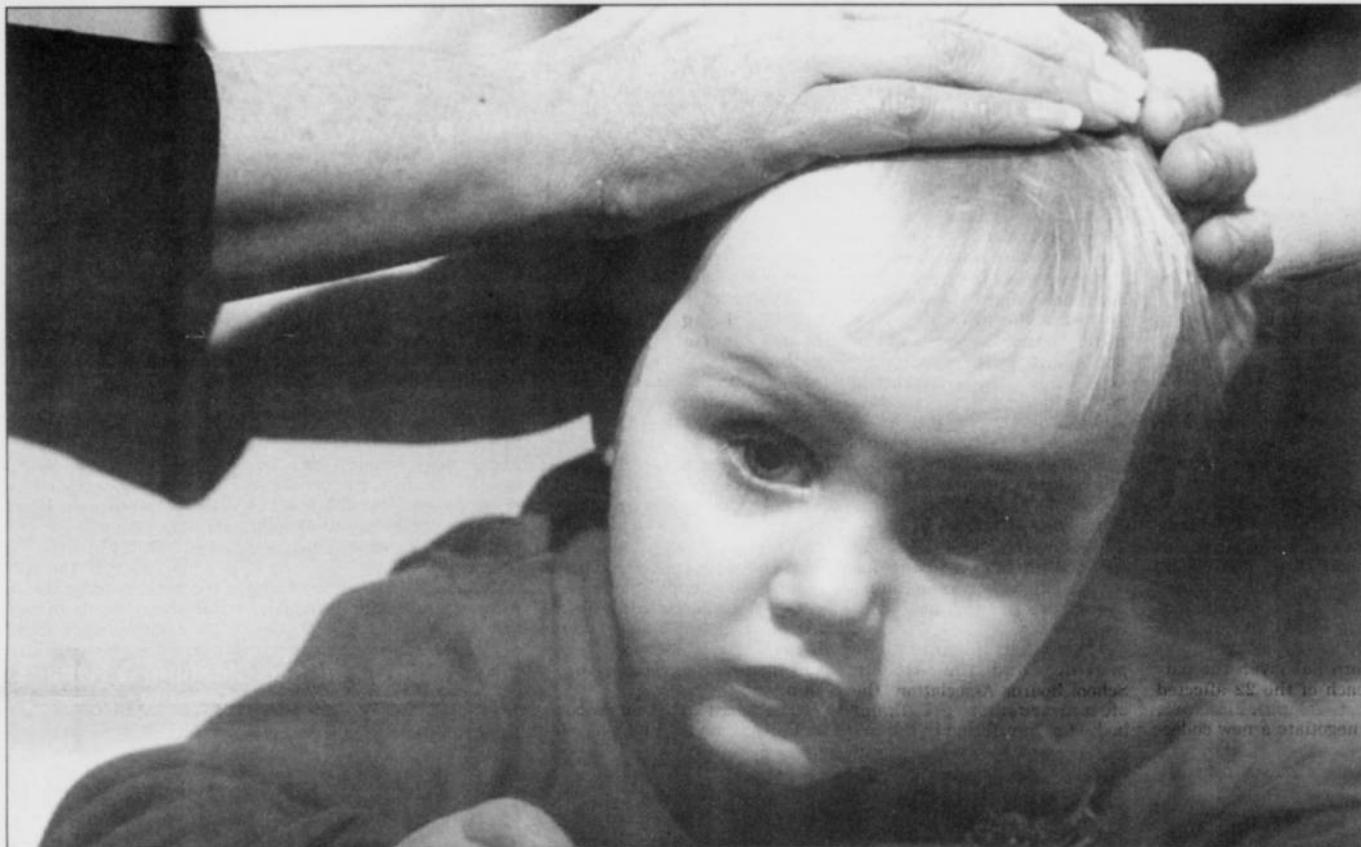
The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

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| DP 12-02 | 21 Julia Place | Single Family Dwelling | R1 |

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19Ave. or by calling 335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on March 13, 2002.
Robert Wigg - Development Officer.

Lifestyles

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photos by Nathan Denette

Seventeen-month-old Luke Bayfield gets the touch of healing last Friday afternoon, when Reiki practitioner Tracy D'Amour performed her first session at the Didsbury Massage Clinic.

by Nathan Denette

Good enough for the Foothills Hospital; good enough for Didsbury's Massage Clinic.

Recently, the Foothills Hospital located in Calgary brought a new alternative method of healing into its operating room and now it's coming your way.

Joyce Bayfield, owner of the Didsbury Massage Clinic and Tracy D'Amour, Reiki practitioner have teamed up to provide Didsbury and surrounding communities, with a new choice in health therapy, called Reiki.

"I wanted to expand my clinic with different qualities; different techniques work for different people," said Bayfield who recently acquired Tracy D'Amour's Reiki skills.

"I found somebody that was the best at what they do. Basically I wanted credible people who specialize in their field of work," said Bayfield.

D'Amour, the Reiki practitioner explains that this ancient method of healing is a simple but a powerful way of transferring the inner flow of energy by restoring and balancing energy, caused by the use of hands touch healing.

REIKI

Alternative method of healing finds its way to Didsbury

D'Amour, then places her hands on the patient and at this time the transfer of universal energy begins.

"Scientifically every living thing has an energy field around it so what I'm doing is placing that energy back to where it's needed by putting my hands where I feel that the energy is low," said D'Amour.

"People like choices these days and Reiki is an alternative choice, my goal is to bring another type of health therapy to the community," said D'Amour.

Re-discovered in the early 1900 hundreds by Japanese Dr. Mikao Usui, Reiki users and teachers are finding that more people are becoming more open minded with other

means of health care and Reiki is beneficial when used with modern medicine.

On Jan. 25, the Calgary Foothills Hospital had its first ever Reiki session within the operating room. Patient Annette Schneider had two ovarian cysts removed and thanks her fast recovery to the Reiki treatment that was applied by Barbara Dickson.

Erin Tschritter, a Didsbury resident thinks this new form of therapy will bring a wider variety of clientele, along with a better selection of health therapy to fit all people's needs.

"I think it's an interesting healing method and if you're open minded, people should give it a try," said Tschritter.

who's also a regular at the Didsbury Massage Clinic.

D'Amour reveals that Reiki isn't only used when a person is sick, but more times used to prevent sickness. Reiki releases blocked energy, promotes relaxation and reduces stress, she said.

"If a person feels good then it's bound to give them a positive outlook on life and that's what Reiki's all about," said D'Amour.

The Didsbury Massage Clinic has been open three years and running strong and also has seven other specialists on rotation who perform a variety of therapeutic skills such as deep tissue massage, relaxation massage, cranial sacral, Thai massage, reflex-



Luke Bayfield, gets energized by Tracy D'Amour.

ology, along with the new addition of Reiki.

"Reiki doesn't replace modern medicine, but rather it complements it," said D'Amour.

LIFESTYLES

First-ever Push Broom Bonspiel draws 16 teams

by Carson Schultz & Marge St. Clair

The first ever push broom/stick Bonspiel ever held in Didsbury was a full house of 16 two-person teams from Calgary, Olds, Sundre, Bowden, Eagle Hill, Carstairs & Didsbury. Each curler throws 6 rocks per end and the 3 rock free guard zone applies and all games are 6 ends. Sweeping is allowed from the hogline to the back of the house only and the scores are marked as in a regular game.

And in the winners circle were:

A Event:

1. Louise & Toby Schille - Olds
2. Carson Schultz & Ike Wiebe - Didsbury

B Event

1. Albert Setter & Jim Turner - Calgary
2. Adolph Wolkoski & Lloyd Devine - Didsbury

C Event

1. Vic Loreth & Doug Paton - Eagle Hill
2. Wendy MacKenzie & Jackie Leitch

D Event

1. Bob Boger & Don Braconnier - Sundre
2. Ken Neatby & Jerry Kadey - Sundre

The "Russka" team, Wendy & Jackie were the best dressed team in their real curling attire, long fur coats, fur hats, big mitts & boots!!!

The most sportsman like teams were Lyle Craven & John Neufeld and Albert Peters and Dale Charlton (sorry no wins today).

There were numerous spectators to watch each team play a minimum of 3 six end games.

Everyone enjoyed the event tremendously.

Kiwanis orientation evening a great success

Our Orientation Evening for volunteers was a great success on Thursday, February 21st. We had a wonderful turn-out of people interested in finding out more about our Festival and how they could volunteer. Sandy McCleary did an excellent presentation of the three volunteer positions of MC, Secretary and Door Person. Questions were asked and our Directors and President were on hand to help the newcomers and the "old timers". We all need a refresher course from time to time and last night was important to all of us as we did some things differently. We have been at this now for 19 years, with 2003 being our 20th anniversary!

We held a couple of door prizes with Janeen Smith and Dorothy Cradock (both of Olds) being the proud winners! Dessert and coffee followed as people filled in their various

events and categories. It was a fun evening for all.

Our Nineteenth Olds and District Kiwanis Music Festival starts on Monday, March 4th and will run non-stop for three glorious weeks!! There are only a few spots left for volunteers so if you were unable to come last night, please call Sandy McCleary @ (403) 556-2217 and book a spot before they are all gone!

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**Hillbilly Humour ...**

photo by Richard Westlund

Camilla Jones entertained those in attendance at the Mountain View Credit Union annual general meeting as she was brought in as the guest speaker. While the picture may suggest the opposite her jokes did have some bite.

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The TOWN OF DIDSURY'S current exclusive contract with Canadian Waste for COMMERCIAL WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES
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Z-Best	403-341-4104

*This is not intended to be a complete list of providers

REGULAR MEETING

Didsbury Agricultural Society notes

by Marge St. Clair

Guest speakers were introduced, Ken Lewis - Watershed Coordinator; Terry - Beardon Engineering

1. Land Redesignation
 - Mike & Vair met with County Council also with Doug Miller.
 2. Cattle Show - Rod said that the show has been tentatively booked for Sat. June 22nd, anyone willing to help please contact Rod.
 3. The Livestock Pavilion has been booked for 2 clinics, 4-H Riding and the Canadian Western Miniature Horse Show.
 4. Dirt for the Arena - can be put in after June 9th, Ken will book trucks.
 5. Property Development Committees
 - (1) Cleanup - Craig, Terry, Wes & Mark
 - (2) Site Layout - Greg, Ken, Terry Viney, Bob, Doug, Rod, Don, Dave, Darwin and possibly Dallas.
 - (3) Fence - Darren, Kevin & Wendy.
 - (4) Waterwell - Howard & Mike.
 - (5) Sponsorship Comm. - Connie, Bruce, Mylene, Kim & Sharon.
- Next meeting will be Wed. Mar. 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Curling Rink Lounge.

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LIFESTYLES

Focus on the Family

QUESTION: My husband drinks a lot but it doesn't affect him very badly. It is amazing just how much he can drink without getting dead drunk. Does that mean he isn't an alcoholic?

DR. DOBSON: I'm afraid you are describing a telltale characteristic of alcoholism. Let me turn to a physician who specializes in treating alcoholics. I asked him to describe the early symptoms that family members should look for.

Dr. Simpson said: "The first red flag is a 'tolerance' for alcohol. The person finds he has to drink more to achieve the same result. He calls this being able to 'hold his liquor' — a status symbol around the world. In reality, it is a danger signal indicating a chemical adjustment has been made."

"Second, a person reaches a place where he doesn't want to talk about his drinking anymore. He knows he is consuming more alcohol than other people and he wants to avoid all reference to it. This begins a process of denial that may be with him for years to come."

"Third, the person begins to experience blackouts. By that I mean that he has brief periods of amnesia that lengthen as time goes by. What is happening is that the brain's recording cells aren't remembering what is being said and done."

"Furthermore, it's a low-dose phenomenon: It happens after one or two drinks. I'm not referring to the process of being stone drunk from the anesthetic effects of great quantities of alcohol. Instead, the person thinks back on the previous night and says, 'Gee! I can't remember a doggone thing after that second drink.' It's a scary experience."

"Fourth, the person begins to notice that he can't consistently predict how much he's going to drink once he starts. To me, this is the key feature of alcoholism and constitutes the definition of the disease. It occurs when an individual is constantly drinking more than he intended because he can't help it. He sits down to have a beer and wakes up the next afternoon."

"It may be hard for people to believe, but alcoholics don't drink to get drunk. They merely want to have a drink or two. That's why they can swear they'll never get drunk again, and mean it. They have no intention of breaking that promise. Nevertheless, they sit down to have a drink with a friend and bingo, it's morning." Let me share with you now the words of Pauline, the spouse, and Bob, the alcoholic, about their experience with this family nightmare.

"I couldn't count the times Bob promised he would never drink again. That must be the most frustrating part of the experience — having Bob look me straight in the eye and tell me he's through — really done with bingeing. He'd say, 'I've seen how it hurts you and the kids and I've had it. I promise you that I'll never do it again!' Then in a day or two he was dead drunk. I thought he was lying to me. How could he love me and lie so many times to my face? But he wasn't lying. He couldn't keep his promise. Bob thought he could whip this problem with willpower. It's like trying to stop diarrhea by making up your mind to do so." We asked Bob to express what he was feeling during this period of repeated failure. He said he was confused by his inability to overcome the habit. "I thought the problem might be vodka, so I switched to scotch, and then bourbon. Then I tried meditation. Nothing worked. I tried a dozen approaches to control my drinking, but I always went back to it. Then I tried covering it up. I carried a bottle of Binaca in my pocket and I always had a green tongue."

"I drank for six months without Pauline ever knowing it. Every Saturday morning she would wash her hair and then sit under a noisy hair dryer for a half-hour. I could hardly wait for her to get preoccupied because I had a fifth of vodka in the cupboard. I would race in and get a can of Fresca from the refrigerator, pour half of it down the drain, and fill the other half with vodka. Then I'd drink it in front of the television set with a halo around my head. You really have to be calculating to hide a drinking problem from those you live with. This went on for months. You see, I was addicted to a drug and was completely unaware of it."

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4-H Club members starting to halter break animals for show season

by Cole Scheidt

West Didsbury 4-H held its organizational meeting on October 8th. Doug Miller graciously agreed to become our new leader for this year. Our newly elected executive for 2001 - 2002 is as follows: Terri Morton President, Cassandra Hrabok, Vice President; Secretary Rosemary Braun; Treasurer: Randilee Fischer and club reporter (me) Cole Scheidt. This year looks to be filled with many activities and hopefully all 18 of our members will have fun.

Our Christmas party was held December 9th at Spare Time Bowling Alley. Many members and their families came out for an afternoon of fun. The New Year soon was upon us and our club was out collecting for our Annual Bottle and Battery Drive. Everyone was in attendance and this effort proved good results. Good work everyone!

On January 13 some members of West Didsbury attended our Curling Funspiel. Although attendance was down a little this year we still

had a very good turn out and I would say most had a good time.

February 10 was our club level speaking competition. We worry and fret about this day but it's an important aspect of 4-H. Congratulations to each speaker for a job well done. Those chosen to go on to the next level are: senior speakers: Cass Hrabok, Rosemarie Braun and Alternate Terri Morton. Interme-

diate: Randilee Fischer, Triona Richmond, alternate: Cole Scheidt. Both Juniors, Dayna Hadway and Becca Scheidt. Good luck!

Our club is keeping busy, some starting to halter break their animals, prior to Feb. 10 speech preparation and of course there are always record books to work on. I will keep you posted of West Didsbury 4-H news. Talk to you next month.

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Zion Evangelical Missionary Church

2030 21st Ave
Phone: 335-3629
Grant Sikstrom, Senior Pastor
Josh Munson, Associate Pastor
New Youth Pastor Colin Creighton
First Service: 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Second Service: 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Contact the church regarding Bible studies, Care Groups, Teen Activities & Children's programs.

Bergthal Mennonite Church

Didsbury, Alberta
5km South of the Didsbury overpass
8km East on Bergthal Rd.
Sunday School @ 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service @ 10:30 a.m.
Pastors: Youth Pastor Shane Neufeld
For more information ph. 335-4451

Redeemer Lutheran

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1500-23rd St.
Rev. Robert Mohns
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Church: 335-3161 / Res: 335-3656
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Adult Bible Study Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Jr. & Senior Youth, Women & Seniors
Ministry Group, Small Group Bible Study meetings
throughout the week.

St. Anthony's Catholic

2030 - 24th Ave. Didsbury Phone 335-3084
Catechism classes: Tuesdays of 3:30 p.m.
Church Social: the 3rd weekend of the month
Contact Claude Baril at 335-3842
CWL Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month 1:00 p.m.

See You in Church This Sunday!

Mountain View

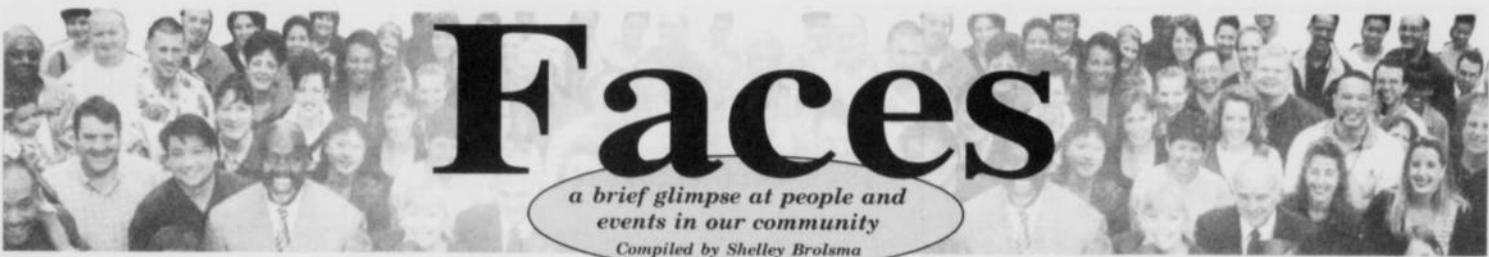
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Chinook Winds Christian Centre

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West Zion Mennonite Church

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Pastor Jim Miller, Info: 337-2020
Sept 1 - June 20th
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
No stairs available during service.
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Faces

a brief glimpse at people and events in our community

Compiled by Shelley Brosma

Romania the focus of Didsbury's World Day of Prayer



Coline Bettson

Friday, March 1st, at 2 pm, men and women in close to 200 countries around the world will fold their hands in prayer for the people of Romania - the focus of this year's World Day of Prayer.

National organizers - the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada - chose to feature Romania at this year's event because of the immense challenges they are currently facing - both economically and socially. "...There are many people currently living in that

country who suffer daily from the ravishes of poverty," says local organizer, Coline Bettson, adding that it is a result of failed economic reforms and high unemployment.

Those in prayer in the Didsbury area will be gathered at St. Cyprian's Anglican Church. "We are very proud to be hosting such a worthwhile event...other Churches involved this year include the Chinook Winds Christian Centre, Knox United Church, Bergthal Mennonite Church,

Zion Evangelical Missionary Church and St. Anthony's Catholic Church."

This year's World Day of Prayer service, written by the women of Romania, reflects on the theme "Challenged to Reconcile".

The Romanian women greet all those participating in this service by saying "Bine ai Venit", which means, "Welcome".

"Everyone is welcome, regardless of their denomination," says Bettson. "Our pro-

gram will include Romanian food, and a Romanian worship-style."

Serving as the guest speaker this year will be Patricia Curtis from Calgary. "She is a world traveler and is very much in demand with this kind of event," says Bettson. "...it should make it a very interesting afternoon."

Anyone interested in learning more about the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada can visit their website at www.wicc.org.

New Architectural Technician sets up shop in Didsbury

The talent and skills of yet another urban professional have found their way to Didsbury.

Norm Jordet, or Jordet & Co. Design is now officially open for business in town after a three-year commute to and from Calgary working for a number of small design firms. "We moved out here for the lifestyle change...we have a school-aged son and wanted him to have the benefit of attending school in a smaller community," says Jordet of his decision to pick Didsbury as the site for his, now, home-based

business.

Although Jordet is still relatively new to the community, he is no stranger to the residential and commercial design and drafting industry from which he hails.

"I have 23 years experience in the field," says Jordet, a graduate of S.A.I.T.'s Architectural Technology Program.

One of the key features of Jordet's design company is the ability to provide personal service to each client project.

"My job is to help those people interested in building a

home get off on the right foot.

"They are spending a lot of money and I really like to sit down with them and gain an understanding for their ideas of what their dream home should look like before we even begin," he said.

This, according to Jordet, includes the establishment of design criteria, reviewing budget concerns, and proving product information with the end result being the drafting of plans and creation of specifications (as needed) for the project to be accurately tendered and built.

But single family residential and multi-family projects (eg. duplexes, townhouses, fourplexes, etc.) make up only a portion of the services Jordet & Co. Design offer. Jordet takes pride in offering what he refers to as the "full gamut" of design-related services including commercial, custom residential and retail.

Anyone interested in obtaining additional information about Jordet & Co. Design can do so by contacting him via e-mail at Jordet@telusplanet.net or by calling 335-4905 or FAX at 335-4915.



Norm Jordet

Didsbury Skating Club presents Disney on Ice

The wonderful world of Disney is soon to be a lot closer than any child might imagine. This Monday, March 4th, over 50 skaters, coaches and assistants from the Didsbury Skating Club will be presenting this year's annual Skating Carnival entitled "The History of Disney".

"We chose the theme to commemorate Disney's 100th Anniversary," says Club President Shannon Baker.

"There will be appearances by the Little Mermaid, Lady and the Tramp, Lion King, Snow White and the Seven Dwarves, Dumbo, 101 Dalmatians, and Tarzan."

Altogether five different skating groups will be taking to the ice for the Carnival presentation: Learn-to-Skate, Pre-Hockey, Can-Skate, Junior and Senior.

"Our Senior members will be doing solos this time, so we

are all really looking forward to that," says Baker.

Admission to "The History of Disney" is free.

"Everybody is welcome...parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles.

"There will even be some photo opportunities set up to make it easier for those who wish to take pictures. We are really hoping to see a good turnout. It should be a lot of fun."

"There will be appearances by the Little Mermaid, Lady and the Tramp, Lion King, Snow White and the Seven Dwarves, Dumbo, 101 Dalmatians, and Tarzan."



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LIFESTYLES

AROUND THE CIRCLE

World Day of Prayer March 1

by Marge St.Clair

Thurs. Feb. 28

Brown Bag Theatre at the Didsbury Library 12:00 noon sharp.

Thurs. Feb. 28

If you want to learn the age old game of Lacrosse, you are invited to attend the clinics tonight, Mar 4 & 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the MP Room at the Arena Complex. There is a small charge to cover costs, phone 335-7369 for more details.

Fri. Mar. 1

The World Day of Prayer will be held at St. Cyprian's Anglican Church 2037-24th Ave., Didsbury at 2:00 p.m. The program has been written by the Ladies of Romania. Guest speaker will be Mrs. Pat Curtis, wife of the retired Bishop of Calgary, Barry Curtis. This service is open to all.

Mar. 1 & 2

Come to the Didsbury Curling Club and watch the Lions curl in their annual Community Fund-raising Bonspiel. Taste their great cooking you'll be glad you came to support them in their endeavors.

Sat. Mar. 2

Hopefully you have your tickets for the Dinner Theatre presented by St. Hilda's Chapter O.E.S. and Theatre Didsbury at the Municipal Complex. Marg Allison 335-8339 and M. Steckler at 335-4281 have tickets and all the details.

Mon. Mar. 4

The Annual Ice Carnival is being presented by the Didsbury skating club from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Didsbury Arena. They have chosen as the theme "A Salute to Disney".

Admission is free all info by phoning Shannon at 335-4823.

Thurs. Mar. 7

Brown Bag Theatre at the Didsbury Library at 12:00 noon sharp. Double Header - White Pass and Yukon Railway. Cutting a swath through some of the world's most ruggedly beautiful terrain, the White Pass is a trip through history. #2 The New Zealand Experience.

Sat. Mar. 9

The Annual Maritime Night with Celtic & maritime Music by Bob Shortt is being held at the Lone Pine Hall, doors open at 8:00 p.m., dancing at 9:00 p.m. and an Authentic Seafood Chowder for the mid evening buffet. Please phone 337-2212 or 335-2350 for tickets.

Mon. Mar. 11

The Didsbury Lifeline Society will hold the annual meeting at 10:00 a.m. at the Town Office. If you are interested in the Lifeline, you are welcome to attend.

Tues. Mar. 12

The Mountain View Christian Women's Club invite you to the monthly breakfast at the Redeemer Lutheran Church from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Special Feature - Jeanette Oke - Words of Worth. Special

Speaker - Hazel McEachran - He Cares Enough. Special Music - Twyla Penner. For reservations please phone Debby Swanson 337-2487. Free babysitting is supplied by the club.

Wed. Mar. 13

There will be a Pot Luck dinner at the 5-0 Club at 12:30 p.m. The Ham is supplied, please bring your favorite veggies, or salad or dessert and enjoy!

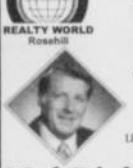
Just a note on the Blood Donor clinic from January/02. 146 people registered, 130 units of blood were collected which will aid 520 people. The Didsbury Hospital staff brought the Trophy to Didsbury as they had the most donors. The Didsbury O.O.R.P are very indebted to the community for supporting this very vital service, and because of the great turnouts more beds are being arranged for so the waiting time isn't so long. Please circle June 19/02 on your calendar for the next blood donor clinic.

Sat. Mar. 16

St Cyprian's Anglican Church is holding an Irish Stew Supper on March 16, the eve of St. Patrick's Day with sittings at 5 and 6 p.m. Adults \$10. Children \$6.

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Olds Legion #105 notes

by Marge St. Clair

Entertainment

Mar. 1 & 2 - Steve Palmer

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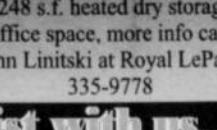
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BANKING

Credit Union has good 2001 despite slowdown

by Richard Westlund

Despite an economic downturn felt across the globe, members of the Mountain View Credit Union received good news at their annual general meeting.

The Mountain View credit Union posted earnings of \$1,510,874 before Patronage allocations and income tax. The profit allowed the Board to declare a seven per cent Common Share Dividend, a Patronage Rebate of two per cent on loan interest and a Patronage Bonus of two percent on deposit interest.

Board of Directors President Charlie Van Arnam told those in attendance that the Mountain View Credit Union not only was able to make a significant profit in a slower economy but were able to do so amongst "keen competition in the marketplace."

Assets at the end of the year exceeded \$182 million, which was an increase of \$22.8 million. Deposits increased by \$21.1 million and totalled \$169.4 million at year's end. Loans increased by \$25.2 million and totalled \$134.2 million at year end.

Van Arnam said the economic downturn did affect the 2001 numbers and will continue to affect business in 2002.

"The current economic downturn will have an impact on growth in 2002. We expect growth will continue, however, at a slower place than we have seen in the past few years," said Van Arnam.

In an interview following the presentation to board members, Van Arnam said the Sept. 11 attacks didn't affect the Mountain View Credit Union's bottom line and that the Board was never concerned about a negative impact on the institution, even shortly after the attacks took place. He said it was the economic downturn that followed the board was more concerned with.

"We were more concerned about the effect on the economy. (Sept. 11) wasn't any more of a concern than it was to the North American business world."

A number of other topics were also touched on at the event by Van Arnam.

He said there were rumours floating around that



photo by Richard Westlund

Board President Charlie Van Arnam had plenty to smile about as he gave members the news the Credit Union made a healthy profit even in an economic downturn.

the Mountain View Credit Union was looking at amalgamation. He said the rumours were unfounded.

"That's not true. We are looking to expand, but have given absolutely no consideration to amalgamating at this time. If that were to happen we would let the membership know and it would be with a like-minded organization."

On the issue of expansion, the Board expressed an interest in wanting to expand into the Crossfield area and said that may happen in late 2002 or 2003. A question was asked whether the Mountain View Credit Union would expand into Carstairs. Van Arnam said the Mountain View Credit

Union would "very much like to have a branch in Carstairs" but said because the town had two competitors already established the venture would prove to be very difficult and very costly.

"We don't want to rule out Carstairs, but it is not at the top of our priority list," said Van Arnam.

A resolution was also

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- Charlie Van Arnam
Board President

brought to the membership that would give Board and Committee members a higher rate of remuneration and was passed by a smattering of hands. Board members received \$100 for full day meetings (over four hours) and \$50 for half days. For regular and special meetings they received \$50 per meeting.

The resolution saw that number rise to \$75 for half days and \$150 for full days.

Before the motion was passed someone asked why employees couldn't have a raise that big.

Van Arnam replied that he wasn't going to discuss employee salaries and said they were the responsibility of branch managers.

Directors and non-employees receive remuneration for out-of-pocket costs related to their duties as directors and officers.

The make up of the board also changed somewhat with the election of three members. Dorothy Moore, Dick Ross and Larry Unbach all had their terms end. Moore didn't leave her name to stand for re-election and the other two incumbents were replaced. Lorrene Laursen, John Richter and Kevin Sheppard became the new board members.

BUSINESS

AGRICULTURE

Farmers starting behind 8-ball, says crop specialist

by Richard Westlund

Farmers are becoming more concerned about the amount of moisture they will have for their crops with every dry winter month that passes, says crop specialist with Alberta Agriculture.

"I would say that everyone is anxious," said Russel Harvey, Cereals and Oilseeds Specialist from his Stettler office. "Every month that goes by producers are increasingly more concerned about the amount of moisture we will have in the spring. That would go away if we got a decent snow cover - but so far that hasn't happened."

Harvey said it was the same situation that started problems last year for Didsbury area farmers. A dry winter coupled with a dry spring gave farmers very little moisture to work with.

The end result were crops that yielded below- or just barely average results.

Harvey said at the end of last year's growing season Didsbury-area farmers were short in subsoil moisture. He said the majority of the moisture in the ground was used up by the crops. He said when farmers start with average soil moisture and get an average amount of rain good crops can be forecasted.

"We are starting behind the 8-ball this year," he said.

From the weather specialists he has talked to, Harvey is expecting more moisture than last year but that number could fall short of an average precipitation rate.

He also believes that global warming has an affect on how those numbers play out.

"My understanding is that with global warming you get more extreme weather - longer dry periods and amounts of rain."

He said while farmers could get the normal amount of moisture, they could get it in two large floods - which wouldn't be beneficial for crops. Currently Harvey believes that an inch of rain will be enough for this year's crops to germinate. He did stress farmers would need timely rains to add more moisture to the soil to support the root system of a mature plant.

Harvey said while farmers cannot control the amount of rain that falls over their crops, they can make the best of the moisture they do get.

"You can't change the amount of moisture you get but you can change how that moisture is utilized," said Harvey.

He said farmers that do not till their land in the fall will experience improved filtration as stubble keeps the moisture on the land. Stubble will also prevent moisture from evaporating.

He also said if farmers are expecting a lower amount of rain this year, they could cut back on the amount of fertilizer they use on their crops.

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THOUGHTS ON THE BIGHORN WILDLAND

"We do not inherit the earth. We borrow it from our children"

by J.W. Campbell

Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, people from every race and creed: as I sit here on the 29 January, I'm going to speak on my feelings of the backcountry.

I'm looking out my window today, and we're so lucky to have this serene and beautiful country here in Alberta. And I am talking about the Bighorn, that is where Don Sparrow put in the FLU Zones back in 1986.

And prior to that it was opened up to every head of every watershed for oil and gas exploration. And then they used caterpillars, so that's back in the 50s and from that day forward a lot of the knowledgeable horsemen and outfitters that wanted to get away into wilderness moved north. And we went through a period of time when it was pretty wide open, and mind you our population was way less and we the quads weren't even around, the trailbikes or any of that stuff. I remember when I went up there in the 50s with my uncles, up in that back country; upper Clearwater and Panthers Corners and, you know, the Wapiabi, Ram. The truck road wasn't even in there then and when this oil boom came. I took up a crusade with Sparrow and Fred McDougall and different guys that were in the regime at that time, to protect this. I remember my uncles saying, you're sure wasting your time going for protection and I remember working with Don Sparrow with maps to get this area protected.

You know, I was going in there at that time with pack horses and people were driving by me and calling me crazy and saying, we get in there a lot quicker. Well, I said, how would you like it if some day you were going in the way I'm going in.

And someone says, Oh no, we wouldn't want that, we have a right to go anywhere we want with these vehicles, and you said, O.K.

But maybe some people would say, yeah we'd like to regroup and save it for our children and keep one small little place that's very important.

The reason it's so important is because of the fact that if like its 20, 30 below in Sundre near where I live, it might be 15 there a lot of times because the warm thermal winds come in there and keep the snow off the south slope which is very compatible to the elk that you see and every animal that's in there-of course grizzly bears are sleeping-but it's one of the last strongholds for them as well. And the thing about it is that if you can't ignore the fact of its watershed

ability, its scenic ability.

You know, back 30 some years ago plus, they drilled two oil wells back in there and that was another reason why I undertook the prospect of trying to, you know, trying to save that little bit of critical area. And the formation was such that back then they drilled some deep deep holes and they deemed 'em dry, so that helped me, you know, like Amoco put the first of them in and it was dry and, I forgot the company put one in the upper Scalp, and it was dry.

I was fortunate enough to go back there with my uncles and relations and friends and stuff to see how precious and beautiful it was. And the other day, one of my outfitter friends, Steve Olderguard, he's got a lovely family, all outdoors people, and he phoned me and said come to this meeting in Sundre (AWA public forum on the Bighorn).

Now, I had kind of got out of being on boards and stuff, you know I just felt like an old soldier putting my uniform back on, so I go up there and it's the quad people were the vocal people and they're feeling that, oh we're losing few years that people are pretty good at bringing back what they take in and stuff like that, so I'm glad to see that, but I guess I've been around long enough that I just had to speak out on this. And I would like you to bear with me that we're not picking on any one group of people, we just want to save that country.

Like Mr. Klein, he realized that when he steps out of his administration as the premier, there might be somebody in there that has more industrialized ideas, and it's like taking a brick out of a brick house or a chimney, the whole chimney will fall down if we don't get some solid rigidity to the whole thing, you know.

Following that, we can talk about tourism, it doesn't just affect the outfitters, the trail riders, it affects everybody within the town or country that is occupied because there's so many spin-off effects, they all go buy groceries, they buy fuel, they hire people, and tourism could go a long way. I know there's lots of people in Europe and the world that would enjoy our backcountry from a horse or on foot or just simply, you know, gazing around and it's so precious that we leave it as such.

And I'd like to say in closing that we do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we just borrow it from our children.

It's been nice talking to you ladies and gentlemen, children, boys and girls, this is J.W. Campbell. See you later, see you in the High Country.

Future bleak for farmers, charges Thompson

Myron Thompson, Member of Parliament for Wild Rose traveled with the House of Commons Standing Committee on Agriculture this week as it appeared in Grande Prairie and Vulcan, Alberta. Many of the witnesses who testified before the committee in Vulcan were from the Wild Rose constituency.

The Liberals revealed in the committee that they are currently revamping their agriculture policy. They are hoping to improve farm income by focusing on consumer demands for food safety and environmentally responsible food production. They stated that the overhaul is intended to help reduce farmer dependence on income programs. At the same time the Agriculture Minister is trying to set up a new farm safety net that would roll crop insurance and income insurance into one program.

"Witness after witness said they supported the idea of safer food and protecting the environment. But the new policy isn't an effective weapon in world markets that are distorted by enormous subsidies in other countries. They are calling for Canada to continue subsidizing its producers as long as other countries do the same," said Thompson.

"The farm community clearly told the Standing Committee that they feel abandoned by the federal government while competing governments continue to support their farmers. They urged the committee to fund an insurance plan that protects farmers when competitors depress markets with subsidies."

"Farmers are hurting, the banks are taking a hard line with them, and they don't know where to turn. There is a real sense of depression with many of them."

"They truly feel that the Liberal government doesn't care if their industry fails," stated Thompson.

"Even one of the Liberal members of the committee admitted that it seems that farmers are suspicious of the Liberal's new plan because it doesn't include a lot of specific proposals."

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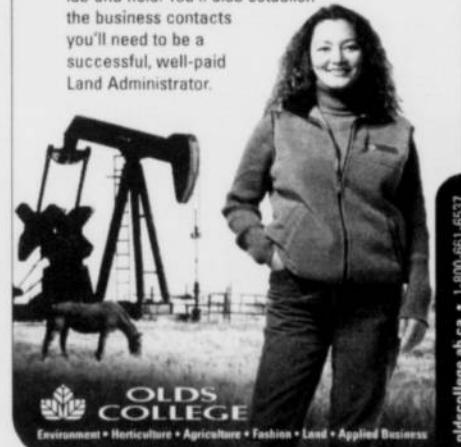
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Maurice Wiart, a Castor landowner with three orphan wells on his property, explains how the program cleaned up the problem for him.

"One of these sites had an old oil pit. It was a problem because my cattle gravitated toward it. The company was long gone. Under the program, the soil was put back to the condition it was in before. The land was cultivated and returned to improved pasture," says Wiart.

The ongoing program is a joint industry/government effort administered by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board.



Calling in the animal health investigator.

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The investigator takes on cases after the local veterinarian has ruled out common diseases or herd management as a cause for an animal's illness. He studies the problem to determine whether it's related to the oil and gas industry or one of many other causes. He then prepares a report with recommendations.

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The goal of the program is to combine activities to significantly reduce their impact. An example would be building one road that could service a well site and logging activities at the same time.

Teamwork and research are crucial to the success of the new program. University of Alberta biological sciences professor Dr. Stan Boutin leads a team that will provide the science needed to better understand the relationship between the ecosystem and industrial land use.

"If we truly want to maintain the natural environment that Albertans think is important, we need to work with industry," says Dr. Boutin. "One of the outcomes of this research will be to develop a model for how we plan together, share infrastructure and learn about best practices," he adds.

With over \$30 billion worth of new energy investment projected for northern Alberta over the next 20 years, the ILM program will play a key role in ensuring future development and environmental protection go hand in hand.

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GOLD MEDAL REACTION

Gold medals capture hearts of Didsburians

Olympic hockey gold medals celebrated across the country including small towns like Didsbury, Alberta

by Richard Westlund

When the country erupted to celebrate Canada's two gold medals last week in hockey, Didsbury was part of the roar.

Life in Didsbury was different while the Olympic Hockey competition took place. People scheduled their business around the semi-final hockey games and made sure they were available to watch the two Canadian hockey teams make history.

After the men completed the gold medal sweep on Sunday, our small town in central Alberta, along with every other hockey loving centre in the country basked in Canada's accomplishment.

A collective roar was heard throughout the Mountain View Credit Union annual general meeting when the announcement was made that the women had beaten the United States to win the gold medal.

Employees and family members of CLT took their lunch break to the Board room last Friday where a television was set up. A group of about a dozen watched Canada beat up on Belarus while eating pizza.

Not only was hockey the talk of the local gym, but members looked up at the screen cheering on their team, while sweating off some calories on the cardio equipment.

People brought televisions to work to watch the game. People in Didsbury altered their lives to share in the big moment.

Jason Kjorsuik, a hockey enthusiast from Didsbury said the Team Canada victories were something that brought everyone together.

"We have such a sense of pride in the sport of hockey and it doesn't really matter who you are. Young people were cheering with adults."

Kjorsuik made reference to the pictures shown by CBC after the men won the gold medals and pointed out the importance of people from coast to coast celebrating the victory.

"Everyone in Canada has this in common," he said.

Marc Aube was on the ice playing hockey with his mens rec. team when the Canadian Men's team defeated Finland in the quarterfinals.

He said the visiting team had set up a radio on their bench and whenever the play stopped, players from both sides would stop and listen to the radio for a bit.

Whenever a roar erupted from the visitors bench players hurried over to hear what happened.

Aube, who entertained friends at his home during the gold medal match, said the Zamboni driver would not flood the ice until the game was over when it was in its dying minutes.

"You could see how emotional everyone was about all of the games," he said. "It seems like there is pressure off of everyone now."



Above: Jeff Kerr and Michael Poffenroth watch an Olympic Hockey game intently while eating pizza at the CLT board room. Below: A goal is celebrated as Canada takes the lead against Belarus in the semi-final Olympic matchup.



Rage force game three with 8-0 win

The Rage played two games this past weekend in the first round of the A2 Peewee League playoffs. High River was the opponent who finished third while Didsbury finished second to Sundre in league standings. Game one on Saturday in Didsbury was not in our favour as High River came to play and out worked our boys to a five-three win. High River opened the scoring in the first with a short handed goal followed six minutes later with their second. Bretton Cameron put the Rage on the board with four minutes left in the first unassisted. Shots were 14-13 in Didsbury's favour. A minute and thirty into the second Matt Collinge blocked a point shot at our blue line with his shin pads and skated after the rebound; Collinge took off on a breakaway and scored to tie the game. The Rage seemed to pick up some momentum as four minutes later Jeff Kerr scored from Cameron and Lefebvre to move ahead 3-2. High River continued to work hard though and it paid off as half way through the second they tied it on a four on four play. Five minutes later High River netted another followed two minutes later by their fifth. Shots were 20-20 in the second with High River leading 5-3. Kris Jackson had been kept busy through two periods of play. There was a little confusion as to the playoff format for the game as after six minutes into the third the clock was dropped to the two minute mark. The Rage out shot High River 9-1 in the shortened third and were applying pressure throughout, the game ended 5-3 for High River.

The Rage had something to prove as they had not lost to High River during the season. Steve Teskey got the start in net and did an excellent job. The Rage looked like a different team when the puck was dropped, they were skating and passing and out working High River, something they hadn't done on Saturday. Six minutes in and the goal's started coming. Lefebvre poked in a rebound off a McKetiak shot, twenty seconds later Zack Owen was left wide open at the side of the net when he received a tape to tape pass from Joey Kemmere and slammed it in. Three minutes later Lefebvre put in his second and with twenty one seconds left in the period Keenan Christensen netted a pretty power play goal. The Didsbury parents were pumped up as much as the kids as the score was 4-0 after one. Teskey faced 15 shots compared to 9 at the High River end. The second period was just as intense, the Rage playing tough, too tough for the refs liking as we received two penalties in the first eight minutes. Teskey did a good job working on the shut out during those penalty kills. At 11:37 into the second the goals started coming again as Kemmere ripped one in from Cameron. Two minutes later Kemmere banged home another off a rebound from a McKetiak wrap around attempt. McKetiak's repeated attempts at scoring paid off as three minutes later he stormed out of the Rage's end and took off unassisted to score. The last three minutes of the second were full of High River penalties as the frustration was beginning to show. After two the score was 7-0, with each goalie facing 14 shots in the second.

Kemmere scored his hat trick with six minutes left in the third from Cameron after an end to end rush by Dakota Uhrich. Teskey had an awesome game in net facing 45 shots and recording the shut out in an 8-0 win.

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The Roughriders came out forcing the play resulting in our first goal of the game scored by Jesse Steward. Kasey Eichhorst made a great cross-ice pass to Sam Kilmurry to score our second goal of the period.

Okotoks came out strong in the second period, but Don (Dominator) Kilmurry played another awesome game in net.

Didsbury answered back quickly on a hard low shot by Jesse, assisted by Sheldon Watkins. The final score 4-1 for the Roughriders.

With a two game total point format Okotoks had to beat the Roughriders by 4 goals on Sunday's game in Didsbury. The Roughriders came to play scoring the first goal of the game; Zach Pochapsky fired a hard wrist shot top corner with assists to Mac and Sheldon. Both

Hanna beats Didsbury for bantam zone title

The zone finals against Hanna on the weekend ended up to be tough ones for Didsbury.

It was a two game - total point, with Hanna winning Friday night's game, as well as skating away with Sunday's game in Didsbury. The guys battled hard and furious in both games and did their share of penalty killing. There was only a total of 6 points for Didsbury in both rounds, compared to Hanna's 16. Cody Edwards got the 1st and 3rd goals of game 1 unassisted. Brett Fillmore picked up the 2nd goal, assisted by Cody

The Roughriders made it 3-0 on a goal by Alex Hutcheon assisted by Kasey.

Okotoks scored their only goal of the game in the third period.

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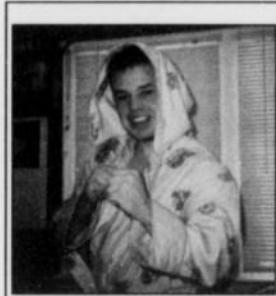


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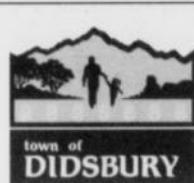
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First Annual Family Night Banquet and Entertainment on March 9 at the Elks Hall. Supper at 6:00 p.m. Members \$8, Non-members \$10, students \$5, preschoolers free.

Meeting

Didsbury & District Senior Support Services (Home Help) will hold their Annual Meeting Thursday March 7, 2002 at 10 a.m. at 2009 - 20th Ave. Everyone welcome.

Breakfast

Mountain View Christian Women's Club is holding their breakfast on March 12 at The Redeemer Lutheran Church from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. The topic is Books and Bits. Call Debby 337-2487 for reservations.

CARSTAIRS

RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.

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Are you experiencing family violence? Please call the Crisis Shelter at 1-877-934-6634.

CHAMPS

"NEW" Canadian Weight Awareness - CHAMPS Clubs Inc. is a Registered Non-Profit Weight Loss Support Organization which meets weekly. We are open to Men and Ladies whom share a common concern of managing funds sensibly. For more info contact Elaine at 250-832-7671 or Jan at 250-392-5474.

DIDSBURY MUSEUM

New Winter hours: Saturday: 1 - 5 p.m., special occasions, & anytime by appointment. Please call Marg Weaver at 335-4245, Jim Neis at 335-3133 or Willard Stauffer at 335-3715.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
General Meeting - Second Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265. RSVP

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Joanne at 337-2614.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD
Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office. For info call Deborah at the Town Office at 335-8343.

TOY LIBRARY

Kidding Around Parents Club Toy Library. Open Tuesdays 10-11:30 a.m., and 2nd & 4th Saturdays for the fall at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Kerri at 335-9928.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Roxanne at 335-8322 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Mom's Time Out and Dads Too. At Redeemer Lutheran Church, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-2388 for more information.

DIDSBURY

Meeting

Join Didsbury Town Council for a meet the Taxpayers meeting on March 4, 2002 from 7-8:30 p.m. in Town Council Chambers. Come out & discuss your issues with your elected representatives.

Photography

A group of photo enthusiasts are considering starting a photo club which would meet the first Wed. of the month. If you are interested call Carla at 556-7510 or Richard at 335-3301 between 9 and 5.

ONGOING EVENTS

DIDSBURY

KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7-9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For more information please call 335-8208.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

RECYCLING DEPOT

Didsbury Lions Recycle Centre open Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Accepting newspaper, office papers, magazines, junkmail, plastic milkjugs (please clean). Phone 335-8193. Use outside bins.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

The Didsbury Preschool Society is currently accepting on-going registrations for children 3 to 5 years old to our preschool program. For more information or to register your child please call Cherrie 335-8818 or 335-8039

LIONS

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INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location.

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

Just Done For Fun out of school care program runs each school day at Ross Ford. For more information call 335-8168.

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Bus Trip

Seniors bus trip to Stage West on Wednesday April 24. Leaving the 5-0 Club at 10 a.m. Sheer Madness. Cost \$36/person. Contact Florence 335-3327 or Bea 335-3058. Deadline to register is Apr. 3

OLDS

Carnival

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OLDS MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month. For time and place, contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

SUNDRE

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Wednesdays, 8 - 9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 338-2736.

ALA TEEN

Ala Teen, Sundre United Church Basement, Wednesday 7:00 p.m. More info 638-3277.

AL-ANON

Al-Anon, Wednesdays. For more information call 638-3277 or 335-9787.

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